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Vice-Chairperson-cum-Rapporteur: Ivanka **Tasheva** (Bulgaria)

Organization of the session

A. Opening and duration of the session

1. The Commission on Population and Development held its forty-second session at United Nations Headquarters on 11 April 2008 and from 30 March to 3 April 2009. The Commission held ___ meetings (1st to ___).

2. At the 2nd meeting, on 30 March 2009, the session was opened by the Chairperson of the Commission, Elena Zúñiga (Mexico), who also made a statement.

3. At the same meeting, the Assistant Secretary-General and Special Adviser on Gender Issues and Advancement of Women (on behalf of the Under-Secretary-General for Economic and Social Affairs) and the Executive Director of the United Nations Population Fund addressed the Commission.

4. Also at the 2nd meeting, the Director of the Population Division of the Department of Economic and Social Affairs of the United Nations Secretariat made opening remarks.

B. Attendance

5. The session was attended by ___ States members of the Commission. Observers for other States Members of the United Nations and one non-member State, representatives of organizations and other entities of the United Nations system and observers for intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations also attended. The list of participants will be available in document E/CN.9/2009/INF/1.

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C. Election of officers

6. At its 1st meeting, on 11 April 2008, the Commission elected the following officers by acclamation:

Chairperson:
Elena Zúñiga (Mexico)

Vice-Chairpersons:
Vera Ortiz de Urbina (Spain)
Ivanka Tasheva (Bulgaria)
Irene B. M. Tembo (Zambia)
Raja Nushirwan Zainal Abidin (Malaysia)

7. At its 2nd meeting, on 30 March 2009, the Commission designated Ivanka Tasheva (Bulgaria) to serve as Vice-Chairperson-cum-Rapporteur for the session.

8. At the same meeting, the Commission designated Raja Nushirwan Zainal Abidin (Malaysia) to chair the informal consultations.

D. Report of the Bureau of the Commission on its intersessional meetings

9. At the 2nd meeting, on 30 March 2009, the Chairperson introduced the report of the Bureau of the Commission on its intersessional meetings, as contained in document E/CN.9/2009/2.

10. At the same meeting, the Commission took note of the report of the Bureau, and endorsed the conclusions and recommendations contained therein.

E. Agenda

11. At its 2nd meeting, on 30 March 2009, the Commission adopted the provisional agenda as contained in document E/CN.9/2009/1. The agenda read as follows:

1. Election of officers.
2. Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters.
3. Follow-up actions to the recommendations of the International Conference on Population and Development.
4. General debate on national experience in population matters: contribution of the Programme of Action of the International Conference on Population and Development to the internationally agreed development goals, including the Millennium Development Goals.
5. Programme implementation and future programme of work of the Secretariat in the field of population.
6. Contribution of population and development issues to the theme of the annual ministerial review in 2009.
7. Provisional agenda for the forty-third session of the Commission.

8. Adoption of the report of the Commission on its forty-second session.

12. At the same meeting, the Commission approved the organization of work of the session, as contained in document E/CN.9/2009/L.1/Rev.1.

F. Documentation

13. The list of documents before the Commission at its forty-second session is available on the website of the Population Division (http://www.unpopulation.org).